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SUBJECT: Data on Helicopter Operation Received From Mr. Charles W. Carmody, Chief, Airspace Utilization Division, Federal Aviation Agency

1. In the near future, Mr. Clifford B. Burton will replace Mr. Carmody as Chief, Airspace Utilization Division. Mr. Carmody is being transferred to the Inspection Division (IG) of FAA.

2. Mr. W. Thomas Deason has been the deputy to Mr. Carmody and will remain as deputy to Mr. Burton. All three individuals have an Agency clearance of Secret until January 1963.

3. Mr. Carmody furnished a list of eight helicopter companies that have requested a franchise to serve Dulles International Airport, Washington National Airport, Baltimore Friendship Airport, downtown Washington, D. C. and Baltimore, Maryland. The list is attached.

4. Mr. Carmody also furnished the following data:

a. The Washington-Baltimore Helicopter Airways, Inc. is operating temporarily in a space bounded by 8th, 9th, D. and E Streets, S. E. In his opinion, this company will soon lose this operating location.

b. Recently passed zoning laws prohibit establishment of heliports within the District of Columbia. Pilgrim Helicopter Services, Inc. received their franchise to operate (26th & G. Sts. and moving to Wisconsin & K) prior to adoption of the zoning laws. The State Department has submitted a request for construction of a roof heliport on the new State Department building.

c. The Federal Aviation Agency (FAA) has requested clearance for construction of a rooftop heliport on Federal Building 10A. This building is presently occupied by FAA and is located on Independence Avenue between 7th & 8th Streets.

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d. The ~~District~~ Planning Commission is not in favor of granting clearances for any other requested heliports. Instead, the District Planning Commission has proposed that only one location within the District of Columbia (the White House excepted) be utilized for a helicopter operation. The Planning Commission has proposed that this heliport be located on a  $3\frac{1}{2}$  acre plot.

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SUBJECT: Visit to Superintendent of the National Capital Parks

At 1000 on 12 December, Mr. Garrison and I visited Mr. T. Sutton Jett, Superintendent of the National Capital Parks, and Mr. Robert C. Horne, Assistant Superintendent of the National Capital Parks. After <sup>NY</sup> presenting the Agency requirement for a downtown heliport, Mr. Jett stated a very frank no ~~that~~ <sup>to</sup> the use of West Potomac Park as a helicopter landing area. ~~is not feasible~~ <sup>has resulted in</sup> Mr. Jett further stated that past experience with aircraft demonstrations in public parks ~~has caused~~ severe legal problems relative to personnel injury. Mr. Jett's only stated reason for his negative answer was this hazard to personnel. Mr. Horne suggested that I discuss helicopter landing areas with Mr. William E. Finley, Director of the National Capital Planning Commission or with Mr. Charles H. Conrad, Assistant Director of the National Capital Planning Commission (Code 183 - 2101). The offices of the National Capital Planning Commission are located on the second floor of the Department of Interior building, 18th and C Streets.

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